2021 SPECIAL SESSION II

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 771

Commending the Springfield Civic Association.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, August 5, 2021

WHEREAS, for nearly 70 years, the Springfield Civic Association has promoted public and private development in the region, advocated for the well-being of residents, and worked to build a strong sense of community in Springfield; and

WHEREAS, Springfield was still a primarily rural area when Vernon Lynch and Sons began selling residential properties in the Springvale area in 1947; shortly afterward, Edward R. Carr began to envision Springfield as a satellite city to address the lack of housing in Washington, D.C., and began planning for not only homes, but roads, water and sewage infrastructure, and shopping centers; and

WHEREAS, in 1951, Edward Carr sold 593 acres of land to the Crestwood Construction Corporation, which broke ground on 13 model homes in 1951, making the "Crestwood's Springfield" subdivision the first planned community in Fairfax County; and

WHEREAS, the nonprofit Springfield Civic Association was formed around 1953 to support the growing community and encourage residents to take an active role in local affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield Civic Association now represents residents in the central part of Springfield, including the Crestwood community, which encompasses more than 2,400 homes and 800 apartments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, That the Springfield Civic Association be commended on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the groundbreaking for the Crestwood subdivision; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the Springfield Civic Association as an expression of the House of Delegates' admiration for the Springfield community's contributions to the Commonwealth.